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From: Cline, Richard (Treasury)
Sent: Tuesday, February 09, 2016 1:43 PM
To: Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury); Byrne, Randall (Treasury)
Subject: RE: Help finding EM orders on water investigator

Terry,

I can find no information related to this topic.

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Just following up to ensure we do not have ANY info/documentation on this issue or the extension...

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The year-long extension ended up costing the city more than \$80,000 for the two of them. So, even if we separate them and they individually don't hit the \$50,000 threshold, was there any requirement for Earley to sign a resolution or order to make this extension? He did so for the original 9 month contract, but not for the 1-year extension. It just seems odd that city money could be spent without any record on the city's end.

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Gary...

It is my understanding that this issue wouldn't have come to Treasury for approval. Under PA 436, only requested purchases/contracts of over \$50,000 need approval by Treasury, if they were not competitively bid.

The statutory provision is below:

141.1552 Additional actions by emergency manager; suspension of power of administrative officer and governing body; contracts subject to competitive bidding; sale or transfer of public utility; limitation.

Sec. 12.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any contract involving a cumulative value of \$50,000.00 or more is subject to competitive bidding by an emergency manager. However, if a potential contract involves a cumulative value of \$50,000.00 or more, the emergency manager may submit the potential contract to the state treasurer for review and the state treasurer may authorize that the potential contract is not subject to competitive bidding.

From: Gary Ridley [<mailto:GRIDLEY@mlive.com>]
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Subject: Help finding EM orders on water investigator

Terry,
I'm working on a story over here and I'm hoping you could help me out.

Flint Emergency Manager Darnell Earley apparently gave two Flint water investigators a contract extension, but I have been unable to find any actions by him approving the expenditure on the city side. Below, is an email I sent to city attorney Tony Chubb on the issue for your reference.

I have a copy of the initial order appointing them for 9 months, copies of the county's motions to extend the contract and the eventual approval. However, I cannot find anything involving Earley approving these extensions (although I found multiple other resolutions/orders from the same time frame extending and/or modifying extensions for other contracts.)

So, I'm trying to figure out if there is anything with the state approving this extension? Also, could you clarify the rules for me that Mr. Earley was required to follow in terms of approving such extensions?

Thanks.

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Tony,